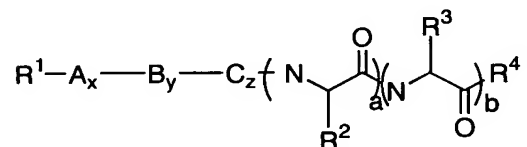


Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims:

1. (currently amended) A compound of structural Formula (I):



or a pharmaceutically available salt, solvate or hydrate thereof wherein:

a, b, x, y and z are 0 or 1;

A is ~~a cyclic amino acid~~ proline;

B is ~~a basic amino acid~~ histidine;

C is ~~a small amino acid~~ serine;

~~R¹ is alkyl, substituted alkyl, acyl, substituted acyl, alkylsulfonyl, substituted alkylsulfonyl, arylalkyl, substituted arylalkyl, arylsulfonyl, substituted arylsulfonyl, heteroalkyl, substituted heteroalkyl, heteroarylsulfonyl, substituted heteroarylsulfonyl, heteroarylalkyl, substituted heteroarylalkyl, oxycarbonyl and substituted oxycarbonyl;~~

R² is alkyl, $-(CH_2)_mS(O)_nR^5$ or $-(CH_2)_mS(O)_n-S(O)_oR^5$;

m is 1, ~~2, 3 or 4~~ or 2;

n and o are independently 0, 1 or 2;

R³ is ~~-CH₂CONH₂ or -CH₂CH₂CONH₂;~~

R⁴ is ~~alkyl, NR⁶R⁷ or OR⁸NH₂;~~

R⁵ is alkyl, substituted alkyl, acyl, substituted acyl, aryl, substituted aryl, arylalkyl, substituted arylalkyl, heteroalkyl, substituted heteroalkyl, heteroaryl, substituted heteroaryl, heteroarylalkyl, substituted heteroarylalkyl, oxycarbonyl or substituted oxycarbonyl;

~~R⁶ and R⁷ are independently hydrogen or alkyl; and~~

~~R⁸ is alkyl, substituted alkyl, aryl substituted aryl, arylalkyl, substituted arylalkyl, heteroalkyl, substituted heteroalkyl, heteroaryl, substituted heteroaryl, heteroarylalkyl or substituted heteroarylalkyl;~~

with the ~~provisos~~ proviso that:

R⁵ is not methyl when m is 1;

a is 1 unless A is proline, B is histidine, C is serine and b is 0 when a is 0; and

~~R² is $-(CH_2)_mS(O)_nR^5$ or $-(CH_2)_mS(O)_n-S(O)_oR^5$ unless b, x, y and z are 1.~~

2-4. (canceled)

5. (currently amended) The compound of Claim 1 ~~or Claim 2~~, wherein R^2 is $-(CH_2)_mS(O)_nR^5$ or $-(CH_2)_mS(O)_n-S(O)_oR^5$ ~~and m is 1 or 2~~.

6-18. (canceled)

19. (withdrawn) The compound of Claim 1, wherein A is a D amino acid.

20. (withdrawn) The compound of Claim 1, wherein A, B and C are L amino acids and the α carbons adjacent to R^2 and R^3 , respectively have the L configuration.

21. (canceled)

22. (withdrawn) The compound of ~~Claim 21~~ Claim 1, wherein R^1 is acyl.

23. (withdrawn) The compound of Claim 22, wherein R^1 is $-C(O)CH_3$ and R^2 is alkyl.

24. (withdrawn) The compound of Claim 23, wherein R^2 is methyl or allyl.

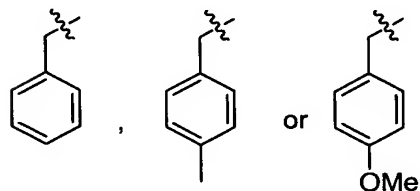
25. (withdrawn) The compound of Claim 22, wherein R^1 is $-C(O)CH_3$, R^2 is $-(CH_2)_mS(O)_nR^5$ and m is 1.

26. (withdrawn) The compound of Claim 25, wherein n is 0 and R^5 is alkyl or substituted alkyl.

27. (withdrawn) The compound of Claim 26, wherein R^5 is ethyl, *t*-butyl or $-CH_2NHC(O)CH_3$.

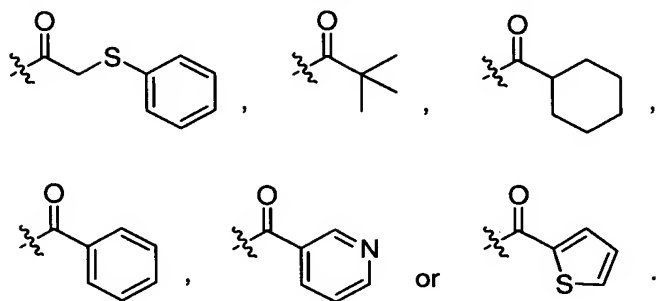
28. (withdrawn) The compound of Claim 25, wherein n is 0 and R^5 is arylalkyl or substituted arylalkyl.

29. (withdrawn) The compound of Claim 28, wherein R^5 is



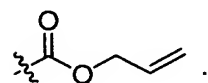
30. (withdrawn) The compound of Claim 25, wherein n is 0 and R^5 is acyl or substituted acyl.

31. (withdrawn) The compound of Claim 30, wherein R^5 is



32. (withdrawn) The compound of Claim 25, wherein n is 0 and R^5 is oxycarbonyl or substituted oxycarbonyl.

33. (withdrawn) The compound of Claim 32, wherein R^5 is



34. (withdrawn) The compound of Claim 22, wherein R^1 is $-C(O)CH_3$, R^2 is $-(CH_2)_mS(O)_n-S(O)_oR^5$ and m is 1.

35. (withdrawn) The compound of Claim 34, wherein n and o are 0 and R^5 is alkyl or aryl.

36. (withdrawn) The compound of Claim 35, wherein R^5 is methyl, ethyl or phenyl.

37. (withdrawn) The compound of Claim 22, wherein R^1 is $-C(O)CH_3$, R^2 is $-(CH_2)_mS(O)_nR^5$ and m is 2.

38. (withdrawn) The compound of Claim 37, wherein n is 0 and R^5 is alkyl or arylalkyl.

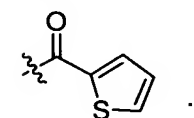
39. (withdrawn) The compound of Claim 38, wherein R^5 is methyl or benzyl.

40. (withdrawn) The compound of Claim 37, wherein n is 1 or 2 and R^5 is alkyl.

41. (withdrawn) The compound of Claim 40, wherein R^5 is methyl.

42. (withdrawn) The compound of Claim 37, wherein n is 0 and R^5 is acyl.

43. (withdrawn) The compound of Claim 42, wherein R^5 is pivaloyl or



44-54. (canceled)

55. (withdrawn) The compound of ~~any one of Claims 45-54~~ Claim 1, wherein R^1 is acyl, R^2 is $-(CH_2)_mS(O)_nR^5$, m is 1 and R^5 is alkyl.
56. (withdrawn) The compound of ~~Claim 57~~ Claim 55, wherein R^1 is $-C(O)CH_3$ and R^5 is methyl.
57. (canceled)
58. (withdrawn) The compound of ~~Claim 57~~ Claim 22, wherein R^1 is $-C(O)CH_3$.
59. (withdrawn) A pharmaceutical composition comprising a compound of ~~Claim 1 or Claim 2~~ any of claims 1, 5, 19, 20, 22-43, 55, 56 and 58 and a pharmaceutically acceptable diluent, excipient or adjuvant.
- 60-65. (canceled)